KATHERINE POLK FAILLA, United States District Judge:

By Order today, the Court is referring this case to Magistrate Judge Valerie Figueredo for a report and recommendation on any motion for judgment on the pleadings. To conserve resources, to promote judicial efficiency, and in an effort to achieve a faster disposition of this matter, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties must discuss whether they are willing to consent, under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), to conducting all further proceedings before Magistrate Judge Figueredo.

If both parties consent to proceed before the Magistrate Judge, counsel for Defendant must, within two weeks of the date of this Order, either mail or email to Failla_NYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov a fully executed Notice, Consent, and Reference of a Civil Action to a Magistrate Judge form, a copy of which is attached to this Order (and also available at

http://nysd.uscourts.gov/file/forms/consent-to-proceed-before-us-magistrate-judge). If the Court approves that form, all further proceedings will then be

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conducted before Magistrate Judge Figueredo rather than before the

undersigned.

If either party does not consent to conducting all further proceedings

before Magistrate Judge Figueredo, the parties must file a joint letter, within

two weeks of the date of this Order advising the Court that the parties do

not consent, but without disclosing the identity of the party or parties who

do not consent. There will be no adverse consequences if the parties do not

consent to proceed before the Magistrate Judge.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 28, 2022

New York, New York

KATHERINE POLK FAILLA

Katherin Palle Faula

United States District Judge

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